

United States Post Office
524 Main Street
Columbus
Lowndes County
Mississippi

HABS No. MS-214

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PHOTOGRAPHS

HISTORICAL AND DESCRIPTIVE DATA

Historic American Buildings Survey
National Park Service
Department of the Interior
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

STATE Mississippi	COUNTY Lowndes	TOWN OR VICINITY Columbus
HISTORIC NAME OF STRUCTURE (INCLUDE SOURCE FOR NAME) United States Post Office (From Original Building Plans) Columbus, Mississippi		HABS NO. MS-214
SECONDARY OR COMMON NAMES OF STRUCTURE None		
COMPLETE ADDRESS (DESCRIBE LOCATION FOR RURAL SITES) 524 Main Street, Columbus, MS 39701		
DATE OF CONSTRUCTION (INCLUDE SOURCE) Begin 1938 (Date of Dec. 27, 1937 on original plans. Date of 1938 on cornerstone. Completed 1939 (This date on plaque in lobby).		ARCHITECT(S) (INCLUDE SOURCE) R. Stanley Brown, Architect (From Cornerstone and from original building plans).
SIGNIFICANCE (ARCHITECTURAL AND HISTORICAL, INCLUDE ORIGINAL USE OF STRUCTURE) Has been a United States Post Office from date of construction until present.		
STYLE (IF APPROPRIATE) Modified Georgian		
MATERIAL OF CONSTRUCTION (INCLUDE STRUCTURAL SYSTEMS) Exterior - Brick with white stone trim. Pitched roof - copper. Interior lobby - marble floor, marble wainscot, plaster. Structure - steel and reinforced concrete.		
SHAPE AND DIMENSIONS OF STRUCTURE (SKETCHED FLOOR PLANS ON SEPARATE PAGES ARE ACCEPTABLE) Print of main floor plan and photographs of elevations included. Complete set of original plans, including floor plans, are on file in subject Post Office		
EXTERIOR FEATURES OF NOTE White entry with 24" white columns against background of dark brick. White cupola against dark copper roof.		
INTERIOR FEATURES OF NOTE (DESCRIBE FLOOR PLANS, IF NOT SKETCHED) Marble floors and marble wainscot in lobby. Mural across one end of lobby.		
MAJOR ALTERATIONS AND ADDITIONS WITH DATES None to date		
PRESENT CONDITION AND USE General condition good. Small repairs needed. Presently used as U. S. Post Office.		
OTHER INFORMATION AS APPROPRIATE See National Register nomination for further details on physical description, historical information about mural and building of Post Office.		
SOURCES OF INFORMATION (INCLUDE LISTING ON NATIONAL REGISTER, STATE REGISTERS, ETC.) Nominated for listing on National Register and approved by state of Mississippi. Presently in national park service in Washington, DC for final determination.		
COMPILER, AFFILIATION U. S. Postal Service Field Real Estate & Buildings Office		DATE 8/6/80